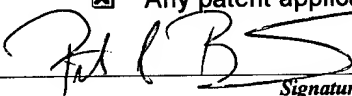
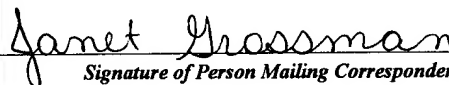


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)				Docket No. 13203	
Applicant(s): Simon Foote, et al.					
Serial No. 09/424,629	Filing Date March 13, 2000	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">JUL 19 2001 PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE</div>	Examiner J. Lundgren	Group Art Unit 1631	
Invention: NUCLEIC ACID DIAGNOSTICS BASED ON MASS SPECTROMETRY OR MASS SEPARATION AND BASE SPECIFIC CLEAVAGE					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.					
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
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